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Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office action dated June 03, 2004. The three month shortened statutory period for responding to the Office action expired on September 03, 2004. Accordingly, Applicant hereby requests and petitions that the period for response be extended for one month to October 3, 2004. Please charge the \$110 fee for this one month extension of time to our Deposit Account No. 050877. Enclosed herewith is an Associate Power of Attorney for the undersigned attorney.

- Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.
- Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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